Company Number 3335600

# HAMMERSON ORACLE PROPERTIES LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 31 December 2010

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# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS Year ended 31 December 2010

The Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

#### 1 PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is property investment in the United Kingdom. The Directors do not anticipate any significant change in the principal activity in the foreseeable future.

#### 2 RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit for the year was £87,000 (2009 £77,000) The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year (2009 £nil)

#### 3 BUSINESS REVIEW AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

It is expected that the Company will continue to hold its 50% shareholding of Oracle Shopping Centre Limited, the General Partner of The Oracle Limited Partnership

The Directors have considered the use of the going concern basis in the preparation of the financial statements as at 31 December 2010 and concluded that it was appropriate More information is provided in note 1 to the financial statements

# 4 <u>DIRECTORS</u>

- a) Mr A J Berger-North, Mr P W B Cole, Mr N A S Hardie, Mr L F Hutchings, Mr M C Jepson and Mr A J G Thomson were Directors of the Company throughout the year
- b) In accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, the Directors are not required to retire by rotation
- c) No Director has any interests in contracts entered into by the Company

#### 5 SECRETARY

Mr S J Haydon was Secretary of the Company throughout the year

#### 6 INDEMNITY

The Company's ultimate parent company, Hammerson plc, has made qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefit of the Company's Directors which were in place throughout the year and which remain in place at the date of this report

# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS Year ended 31 December 2010

# 7 <u>AUDITORS</u>

Deloitte LLP shall be deemed to be re-appointed as auditors for a further term under the provisions of section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006

Deloitte LLP have indicated their willingness to continue in office

# 8 PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

Each of the persons who is a Director of the Company at the date of approval of this report has confirmed that

- (a) so far as he is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- (b) he has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of section 418(2) of the Companies Act 2006

By order of the Board

S J Haydon Secretary

Date 2 0 JUN 2011

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Registered in England and Wales No 3335600

# STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SOLE MEMBER OF HAMMERSON ORACLE PROPERTIES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Hammerson Oracle Properties Limited for the year ended 31 December 2010 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the statement of total recognised gains and losses, the reconciliation of movements in shareholder's funds and the related notes 1 to 12. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the Company's sole member in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's sole member those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's sole member, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements

#### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2010 and
  of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

#### Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SOLE MEMBER OF HAMMERSON ORACLE PROPERTIES LIMITED (CONTINUED)

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of Directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or
- the Directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Directors' Report

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Ian Krieger (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors London, United Kingdom

Date 22 Tra 2011

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31 December 2010

	Notes	2010 £'000	2009* £'000
Gross rental income Rents payable and other property outgoings	_	145 (25)	140 (27)
Net rental income		120	113
Administration expenses	2 _	(3)	(16)
Operating profit		117	97
Net finance income		11	1
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		118	98
Taxation	3	(31)	(21)
Profit for the financial year	9 _	87_	77

<sup>\*</sup> Comparative figures for gross rental income and other property outgoings have been amended to reflect the reclassification of lease incentives (see note 1)

All amounts relate to continuing activities

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2010	Mataa	20-	10	200	10
	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fixed assets Investment properties	4		2,408		2,057
Current assets Debtors Cash and short-term deposits	5 –	1,112 37	_	980 31	
Total current assets		1,149		1,011	
Current liabilties: Creditors amounts falling due within one year	6 _	(282)	_	(235)	
Net current assets		~	867	_	776
Total assets less current liabilities			3,275		2,833
Creditors amounts falling due after one year	7		(1,156)		(1,156)
Provisions for liabilities Deferred tax	3(c)	-	(47)	_	(48)
Net assets		_	2,072	_	1,629
Capital and reserves	_		·		
Called up share capital Revaluation reserve Profit and loss account	8 9 9	_	1 1,226 845	_	1 870 758
Shareholder's funds		_	2,072	_	1,629

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 2 0 JUN 2011 and authorised for issue on 2 0 JUN 2011

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

Hr. no. A.S. Haraii Director

Company Number 3335600

# STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

For the year ended 31 December 2010

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Profit for the financial year	87	77
Unrealised surplus/(deficit) on revaluation of properties	356	(109)
Total recognised gains and losses for the year	443	(32)
RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDER' For the year ended 31 December 2010	S FUNDS 2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Profit for the financial year	87	77
Unrealised surplus/(deficit) on revaluation of properties	356	(109)
Net increase/(decrease) in shareholder's funds	443	(32)
Shareholder's funds at 1 January	1,629	1,661_
Shareholder's funds at 31 December	2,072	1,629

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2010

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the current and preceding year, with the exception that with effect from 1 January 2010, the Company has reclassified lease incentives as explained below

Previously, the amortisation of lease incentives and other related costs had been included within other property outgoings. These items have now been included within gross rental income, which is considered to be a more appropriate classification. As a result of this reclassification, for the year ended 31 December 2010, gross rental income and other property outgoings have been reduced by £4,000. Comparative figures for the year ended 31 December 2009 have been reduced by £9,000. There is no impact on net rental income or profit.

#### (a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of investment properties in accordance with all applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards, with the exception of the depreciation of investment properties as explained below

#### (b) Going concern

The current economic conditions have created a number of uncertainties which are likely to affect the Company's future performance. The key risks relate to tenant default and property valuations which are closely monitored by the Directors. The financial position of the Company is as set out in the Balance Sheet.

The Directors have reviewed the current and projected financial position of the Company, making reasonable assumptions about the future trading performance. After making enquiries, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements.

#### (c) Cash flow statement

As the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary it has taken exemption under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised 1996) from preparing a cash flow statement, as its cash flows are included in the consolidated financial statements of Hammerson plc, which are publicly available

#### (d) Joint arrangements

The financial statements include the financial statements of the Company together with the Company's share of results, assets, liabilities and cashflows arising from joint arrangements. The Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group accounts, as it is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hammerson plc. The Company's results are included in the group accounts of Hammerson plc, a company registered in England and Wales Hammerson Oracle Properties Limited has an interest of 50% in the profits and assets of Oracle Shopping Centre Limited

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2010

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### (e) Net rental income

Rental income from property leased out under an operating lease is recognised in the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Contingent rents, such as turnover rents, rent reviews and indexation are recorded as income in the periods in which they are earned. Rent reviews are recognised when such reviews have been agreed with tenants.

Lease incentives and costs associated with entering into tenant leases are added to the costs of property and are amortised over the period to the first break option or, if the probability that the break option will be exercised is considered low, over the lease term

Property operating expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis and any property operating expenditure not recovered from tenants through service charges is charged to the profit and loss account

# (f) <u>Investment properties</u>

Investment properties are stated at fair value, being market value determined by professionally qualified external valuers, and changes in fair value are are taken to the revaluation reserve

#### (g) Depreciation

In accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No 19, no depreciation is provided in respect of freehold properties or leasehold properties with over twenty years to expiry. This is a departure from the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, which requires all properties to be depreciated. Such properties are not held for consumption, but for investment, and the Directors consider that to depreciate them would not give a true and fair view. Depreciation is only one amongst many factors reflected in the annual valuation of properties and accordingly the amount of depreciation, which might otherwise have been charged, cannot be separately identified or quantified. The Directors consider that this policy results in the accounts giving a true and fair view.

#### (h) <u>Taxation</u>

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates applicable at the balance sheet date, together with any adjustment in respect of previous years

In accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 19 "Deferred Tax", deferred tax is provided in respect of all timing differences that may give rise to an obligation to pay more or less tax in the future

### (i) Fixed asset investments

Investments in the Company's subsidiaries are stated at cost less provision for impairment

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2010

#### 2 ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Management fee payable to Hammerson UK Properties plc	3	16

The average number of employees during the year, excluding Directors, was nil (2009 nil)

The Directors did not receive any remuneration for services to the Company in either the current or the preceding financial year

Another group company has paid the auditors' fees for the audit of the Company's annual accounts in both the current and preceding financial year. Fees for the audit of the Company were £2,225 (2009 £2,225)

### 3. TAXATION

# (a) Analysis of tax charge

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Current tax UK Corporation tax	30	23
Adjustments in respect of prior years	2	(3)
Total current tax charge	32	20
Deferred tax (credit)/charge	(1)	1
Total tax charge	31	21

The above reflects the Company's 50% shareholding in Oracle Shopping Centre Limited, the company that acts as General Partner of The Oracle Limited Partnership For tax purposes these profits are taxable in the General Partner and not in Hammerson Oracle Properties Limited

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2010

# 3. TAXATION (continued)

# (b) Factors affecting current tax charge

The corporation tax charge for the year differs from the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2009  $\,$  28%) The differences are reconciled below

		2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax	118	98_
	Profit at UK corporation tax rate of 28%	33	28
	Effects of		
	Small companies' rate	(5)	(4)
	Disallowable expenditure	1	-
	Capital allowances	•	(1)
	Adjustments in respect of prior years		(3)
	Current tax charge for the year	31	20
(c)	Deferred tax	2010	2009
		£'000	£'000
	The deferred tax provision is made up as follows	2 000	2 000
	Capital allowances	47	48
	Movement in the year		
	Opening deferred tax provision	48	47
	Adjustment due to change in tax rate	(2)	-
	Current year provision	1	1_
	Closing deferred tax provision	47	48

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2010

# 4. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

The movement in the year on properties were	Long leasehold £'000		
At 1 January 2010 Additions at cost Surplus arising on revaluation	2,057 (5) 356		
At 31 December 2010	2,408_		

- (a) Properties are stated at market value at 31 December 2010, valued by professionally qualified external valuers, DTZ Debenham Tie Leung, Chartered Surveyors The valuations have been prepared in accordance with the Appraisal and Valuation Standards of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and with IVA 1 of the International Valuation Standards The surplus arising on revaluation has been transferred to the revaluation reserve
- (b) Should the property be disposed of at the valuation shown, the Company's share of any resulting tax liability would not exceed £225,000 (2009 £125,000). No provision for this contingent liability has been made, as it is not expected that any liability will arise in the foreseeable future.
- (c) The historical cost of investment properties at 31 December 2010 was £1,182,000 (2009 £1,187,000)

#### 5. DEBTORS

	2010 £'000	£'000
Trade debtors Amounts owed by Reading Residential Properties Limited Amounts owed by the Limited Partners of The Oracle	22 19	10 18
Limited Partnership Other debtors	1,065 6	952
	1,112	980

Interest is received on the amounts owed by a subsidiary, Reading Residential Properties Limited, at variable rates based on LIBOR. Amounts owed by the Limited Partners of The Oracle Limited Partnership are non-interest bearing. All amounts shown under debtors fall due for payment within one year.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2010

# **CREDITORS: FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2010	2009
	£'000	£'000
Trade creditors	12	1
Taxation	29	18
Amounts owed to the Limited Partners of The Oracle Limited		
Partnership	196	173
Other creditors	7	5
Accruals and deferred income	38	38_
	282	235
The amounts owed to the Limited Partners of The Orac repayable on demand and are non-interest bearing	cle Limited Partn	ership are
CREDITORS: FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEA	AR	

7.	CREDITORS: FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
		2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	Unsecured loan	1,156	1,156
	The partners of The Oracle Limited Partnership jointly fund interest-free and is repayable on winding up The Oracle Limited		loan It is
8	SHARE CAPITAL	2010 £	2009 £
	Allotted, called up and fully paid: 500 ordinary shares of £1 each	500	500
9.	RESERVES		Profit and
	•	Revaluation Reserve £'000	loss account £'000
	At 1 January 2010 Surplus on revaluation of properties Profit for the financial year	870 356	758 - 87

845

1,226 \_

At 31 December 2010

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2010

#### 10. ADVANCES, CREDIT AND GUARANTEES

The Company has granted no credits, advances or guarantees of any kind to the Directors during the year

#### 11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption available to wholly owned subsidiary undertakings under Financial Reporting Standard 8, "Related Party Disclosures", not to disclose details of all of its related party transactions with other group companies. In the opinion of the Directors there are no other related party transactions to be disclosed in the current or preceding financial year.

#### 12. ULITMATE PARENT COMPANY AND CONTROLLING PARTY

At 31 December 2010, the Company's ultimate parent company was Hammerson plc, which is registered in England and Wales and is the largest and smallest group to consolidate these financial statements. At 31 December 2010, the Company's immediate parent company was Hammerson UK Properties plc.

The consolidated financial statements of the ultimate parent company, Hammerson plc, are available from that company's registered office, 10 Grosvenor Street, London W1K 4BJ